



# Saguaro National Park (East)

## Naturalist Program Schedule

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Programs meet at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center, 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail. Program schedules are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5153 for updates or to make *RESERVATIONS*.

*Programs marked with an \* are wheelchair accessible.*

### April 4 – April 10, 2011

#### Monday, April 4

**11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations\***

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment.

**3:00 p.m. The Places in Between\***

With human populations still on the rise, the wide open spaces available for protection are shrinking. Join park staff in the visitor center auditorium to find out about on-going efforts to ensure that critical migratory links remain intact.

#### Tuesday, April 5

**9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike**

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

**10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles**

Join a park naturalist on this 2-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

**11:00 a.m. Natural History Table\***

Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to have your questions answered about the natural history of the Sonoran Desert. This is an on-going, 30-minute program.

**2:30 p.m. Reptiles and Amphibians of the Sonoran Desert\***

Join park naturalist Bob Brandner for this 30-minute presentation to discover the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians.

#### Wednesday, April 6

**9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike**

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

**10:00 a.m. Desert Discovery**

Join park naturalists on this two-hour, 2-mile walk to discover the secrets of the Sonoran Desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

**2:00 p.m. With or Without Water**

Join a park ranger on this 2-mile, 2-hour hike to discover how seasonal rains impact Saguaro national park and you.

**7:00 p.m. Star Party\***

Join park naturalists for an introduction to astronomy and a look at the desert night sky. Telescopes and binoculars will be available. *Advance reservations are required and can be made by calling: 520-733*

**Thursday, April 7**

**11:00 a.m.                      Saguaro National Park: A Common Heritage\***

This 20-minute video explores the history and heritage of those who settled the Tanque Verde and Rincon Valleys.

**Friday, April 8**

**11:00 a.m.                      Desert Adaptations\***

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment.

**7:00 p.m.                      Night Walk**

Join a park naturalist for this easy two-hour hike to explore and experience the Sonoran Desert at night. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes, and bring water and a flashlight. As space is limited, *advanced reservations are required*, and can be made by calling 733-5153.

**Saturday, April 9**

**9:00 a.m.                      Sonoran Lifestyles**

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**11:00 a.m.                      Saguaro National Park: A Common Heritage\***

This 20-minute video explores the history and heritage of those who settled the Tanque Verde and Rincon Valleys.

**Sunday, April 10**

**11:00 a.m.                      Saguaro National Park: A Common Heritage\***

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